

Music In The Air

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| 11/01 | <i>Open Mike</i> | 860-693-0263 | \$25-30 |
| 7:30p | Roaring Brook Nature Center, 70 Gracey Road
Canton | http://www.roaringbrookconcerts.org/ | |
| 11/02 | <i>Open Mic hosted by Chris Ellis</i> | (860) 350 5995 | Free? |
| 8:30p | 59 Bank Street
New Milford | | |
| 11/02 | <i>Indigo Girls</i> | (203) 438-3889 | \$70 |
| 8:00p | For more than two decades, Indigo Girls Amy Ray (of Atlanta, GA) and Emily Saliers (of New Haven, CT) have presented some of their best music in front of cheering crowds – sometimes in the cramped confines of a small club, sometimes in a vast arena packed with thousands. The Grammy- winning singer-songwriters celebrate their longstanding passion for live performances on their latest release, <i>Staring Down the Brilliant Dream</i> . The Indigo Girls are best known for singles such as "Closer To Fine", "Galileo", "Least Complicated", ""Power of Two" and so many more.
Ridgefield Playhouse, 80 East Ridge http://www.ridgefieldplayhouse.org/allshows.asp
Ridgefield | | |
| 11/04 | <i>Coffeehouse</i> | 203-837-9700 | Free/donations |
| 8:00p | Open mic performers at 8 p.m., followed by the featured act, WCSU Jazz Ensemble at 9 p.m.
Alumni Hall on the university's Midtown campus, White Street
Danbury http://www.wcsu.ctstateu.edu/newsevents/events.asp | | |
| 11/04 | <i>Katherine McPhee</i> | (203) 438-3889 | \$45-55 |
| 8:00p | Fans first met McPhee on Season 5 of <i>American Idol</i> . This runner-up could seemingly sing any style of music, but especially mesmerized millions with her heart- stirring rendition of "Over the Rainbow." Her first solo album, <i>Unbroken</i> , debuted at No. 2 on the Billboard Top 200 in early 2007. This album is only a hint at the extent of her talent - not only as a singer but as a songwriter as well.
Ridgefield Playhouse, 80 East Ridge http://www.ridgefieldplayhouse.org/allshows.asp
Ridgefield | | |
| 11/04 | <i>Capitol Steps</i> | 860-542-5531 | \$55-70 |

8:00p Infinity Hall, Rt. 44
Norfolk

<http://www.infinityhall.com/calendar>

11/04- ***The Devil's Music: The Life and Times of Bessie Smith***

11/28 Miche Braden stars as the legendary Bessie Smith. 203-757-4676 \$

It's 1937 and the final performance of Bessie, as the feisty singer regales her audience with tales from her life, and many loves and losses. Miche Braden not only captures the soulful richness of the singing style of the "Empress of the Blues" and one of the greatest singers of her era, but the essence of her boozy, feisty personality. Terrific! Fills every molecule of airspace with the joy of the Blues. NY Times; Braden "enthralled the crowd....with her singing, acting, dancing joking and storytelling." Hartford Courant; "The Devil's Music leaves one wanting more. Especially more Braden" New Haven Register; "...should not, under any circumstances, be missed" Palm Beach Post

Seven Angels Theatre, Plank Road

Waterbury

<http://sevenangelstheatre.org/>

11/05 ***Slaid Cleaves*** (203) 431-6501 \$20-25

8:00p Slaid Cleaves. Grew up in Maine. Lives in Texas. Writes songs. Makes Records. Travels around. Tries to be good. Granted, there's a whole lot of history and detail that could be shoehorned into that most minimal of bios to flesh out Cleaves' story. But all that's really called for, from time to time, is a footnote or two to bring folks up to speed on his latest batch of literate, sepia-toned Americana songcraft. This year's bounty comes baring the foreboding title of Everything You Love Will be Taken Away, but fans of the Austin-based singer-songwriter needn't fear: Everything you love about the man's singular voice and music is still very much intact

St. Stephen's North Hall

Ridgefield

11/05 ***Capitol Steps*** (203) 438-3889 \$55

8:00p The Capitol Steps began as a group of Senate staffers who set out to satirize the very people and places that employed them. Since they began, the Capitol Steps have recorded over 30 albums, including their latest, *Liberal Shop of Horros* and *Barackin' Around the Christmas Tree*. They've been featured on NBC, CBS, ABC, and PBS, and can be heard 4 times a year on National Public Radio stations nationwide during their *Politics Takes a Holiday* radio specials.

Ridgefield Playhouse, 80 East Ridge <http://www.ridgefieldplayhouse.org/allshows.asp>

Ridgefield

11/05 ***Nick Ruggiero*** 203-729-4236 Free

8-10 Pop/rock

Naugatuck United Methodist Church, 208 Meadow Street

Naugatuck <http://www.nickssong.net/index.html>

11/06 ***The Kennedys*** 203-272-8404 \$14-16

8:00p Even after ten years, over a thousand gigs and 500,000 miles of touring as a married, music-making couple, singer-guitarists Pete and Maura Kennedy haven't killed each other. The duo savors each instant in life and in each other's company, and it shows in their music. The Kennedys have been charming audiences, record buyers and critics for the past decade with their exuberant mixture of folk, rock, country, pop and their own brand of secular gospel, a philosophical depth in their lyrics, and joyful, kinetic performances and recordings

The Sounding Board, First Church of Christ Congregational, 12 South Main Street

West Hartford

- 11/06 **Concert of Finalists** 203-748-1716 Free?
 3:00p Selected finalists will compete and the winner will be announced at the end of the concert.
 Danbury Music Centre, 256 Main Street
 Danbury
- 11/06 **Danbury Symphony Orchesra** 203-748-1716 Free?
 8:00p Ives Concert Hall, 181 White Street
 Danbury
- 11/06 **Stephen Bennett** 860-693-0263 \$25-30
 7:30p Roaring Brook Nature Center, 70 Gracey Road
 Canton <http://www.roaringbrookconcerts.org/>
- 11/06 **Handler and Levesque** (860) 542-5075 Donations appreciated
 5:00p Husband and wife duo guitarist and mandolin player, Judy Handler and Mark Levesque blend Brazilian, Latin American, swing, gypsy, classical and folk music influences to create their sophisticated and expressive arrangements. Audiences respond with great enthusiasm to their extraordinary sound and the uplifting spirit of their music. They have performed over 1,000 concerts together throughout the Northeast and Midwest. Please contact the Norfolk Library at 860-542-5075 to make reservations.
 Norfolk Library, 9 Greenwoods Road East [Click to Visit](#)
 Norfolk
- 11/06 **Don McLean w/Terence Martin** 860-542-5531 \$55-75
 9:00p Don McLean is one of America's most enduring singer-songwriters and is forever associated with his classic hits 'American Pie' and 'Vincent (Starry Starry Night)'. Since first hitting the charts in 1971, Don has amassed over 40 gold and platinum records world-wide and, in 2004, was inducted into the Songwriters' Hall of Fame. His songs have been recorded by artists from every musical genre, most notably Madonna's No. 1 recording of 'American Pie' in 2000 and George Michael's version of 'The Grave' in 2003, sung in protest at the Iraq War.
 Infinity Hall, Rt. 44
 Norfolk <http://www.infinityhall.com/calendar>
- 11/06- **Bye Bye Birdie** 860-489-7180 \$19-25
 11/14 Put on a Happy Face, because everyone's favorite teen idol is swinging into town to make his "farewell" television performance and kiss his biggest fan before heading off to war. The classically exuberant Tony award-winning rock 'n' roll smash hit gets hips swinging again! Fri/Sat 8:00p; Sun 2:00p
 Warner Theater, 68 Main Street
 Torrington www.Warnertheater.org
- 11/07 **Ernie & Neal** 860-542-5531 \$12-15
 Noon Children's Show. If high energy, fun loving family music is what you've been looking for then look no further. Ernie&Neal is a rocking dynamic musical experience from the Philadelphia, New York, and New Jersey area. They bring the joy and art of creating and performing live childrens music to a whole new level! Dubbing their act "Music for the young mind," Ernie&Neal have been entertaining children - and the child in all of us - since 1999.
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 Norfolk <http://www.infinityhall.com/calendar>
- 11/07 **Eddie From Ohio w/Jake Armerding** 860-542-5531 \$35-50

- 8:00p Too energetic to be labeled just "folk", and not angry enough to be pegged "alternative", Eddie from Ohio continues to defy description with their unique blend of vocals and acoustic instrumentation. A bedrock foundation of hand and stick percussion and a textural flavoring of guitar/bass/harmonica support the four-part harmonies and lyrically-driven original music.
Infinity Hall, Rt. 44
Norfolk <http://www.infinityhall.com/calendar>
- 11/07 **Jasper String Quartet** (860) 693-6333 Free
4:00p The program will include the string quartet by Maurice Ravel, Annie Gosfield's "The Blue Horse Walks on the Horizon", written for and premiered by the Jasper String Quartet in 2010, and the Beethoven quartet, op. 131. Currently quartet-in-residence at Oberlin Conservatory, the Jasper String Quartet has previously been quartet-in-residence at the Caramoor Center for Music and Arts and at the Yale School of Music. The Jasper String Quartet has been awarded the Grand Prize and Audience Prize at the 2008 Plowman Chamber Music Competition, the Grand Prize at the 2008 Coleman Competition, First Prize at Chamber Music Yellow Springs 2008, and the Silver Prize at the Fischhoff Chamber Competition in 2008 and 2009. Reception following performance
Collinsville Congregational Church, 7 South Street, Village Green
Collinsville
- 11/07 **Kelet Duo** 860-567-8302 \$ 5.00
3:00p The Kelet Duo brings together a vast array of musical styles creating a fusion that is unique in the chamber music world today, encompasses classical style while highlighting their versatility by bridging folk, film music, ethnic, and avant-garde.
Litchfield community Center, 421 Bantam Rd.,
Litchfield
- 11/07 **Harry Manx** (203) 431-6501 \$20-25
4:00p Harry Manx has been dubbed an "essential link" between the music of East and West, creating musical short stories that wed the tradition of the Blues with the depth of classical Indian ragas. His unique sound is bewitching and deliciously addictive to listen to.
St. Stephen's North Hall
Ridgefield
- 11/07 **Symphonic Band and Wind Ensemble** 203-837-8350 Free/donations
8:00p Ives Concert Hall, White Hall, Midtown Campus: 181 White Street
Danbury <http://www.wcsu.ctstateu.edu/newsevents/events.asp>
- 11/09 **Piano Recital** 203-837-8350 Free/donations
8:00p Presented by students in WestConn's music program.
Ives Concert Hall, White Hall, Midtown Campus: 181 White Street
Danbury <http://www.wcsu.ctstateu.edu/newsevents/events.asp>
- 11/09 **Open Mic hosted by Chris Ellis** (860) 350 5995 Free?
8:30p 59 Bank Street
New Milford
- 11/10 **Jimmy Herring** 860-542-5531 \$30-45
8:00p Humble and self-effacing, without a trace of attitude or ego, Jimmy Herring's demeanor nearly belies his status as one of the most acclaimed guitarists of his generation. Plying his skills in contexts from

classically song-driven rock to technically demanding jazz fusion, Herring's playing combines a restless, jazz-inspired improvisational zeal with the immediacy and intensity of his rock 'n' roll roots.

Infinity Hall, Rt. 44

Norfolk

<http://www.infinityhall.com/calendar>

- 11/11 ***Rusted Root & Assembly of Dust*** (203) 438-3889 \$55
8:00p Rusted Root has sold more than 3 million albums worldwide. Formed in Pittsburgh by singer/guitarist Glabicki in the early '90s, Rusted Root's worldly style quickly charmed fans of roots music and world rock. After debuting in 1992 with the self released *Cruel Sun*, Rusted Root signed with Mercury Records and released the 1994 platinum selling breakthrough *When I Woke*, which featured the hit songs *Send Me On My Way*, *Ecstasy* and *Martyr*.
Melding the deep grooves of blues and R&B with guitar work that recalls J.J. Cale and Little Feat, **Assembly of Dust** is a New York- based quintet which has developed a sizable following on the East Coast for their rich country- accented melodies and impressive chops
Ridgefield Playhouse, 80 East Ridge <http://www.ridgefieldplayhouse.org/allshows.asp>
Ridgefield
- 11/11 ***Arlo Guthrie – Journey On*** 860-542-5531 \$75-110
8:00p Arlo Guthrie was born with a guitar in one hand and a harmonica in the other, in Coney Island, Brooklyn, New York in 1947. He is the eldest son of America's most beloved singer/writer/philosopher Woody Guthrie and Marjorie Mazia Guthrie, a professional dancer with the Martha Graham Company the Committee to Combat Huntington's Disease
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Norfolk <http://www.infinityhall.com/calendar>
- 11/11 ***Coffeehouse*** 203-837-9700 Free/donations
8:00p Open mic performers at 8 p.m., followed by the featured act, Shwa Losben at 9 p.m.
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Norfolk
- 11/12 ***TBA***
7:30p New Fairfield Sr. Center, 33 State Route 37
New Fairfield coffeehouse@groovinnewfairfield.com
- 11/12 ***Faith Land*** 203-729-4236 Free
8-10 Acoustic / Pop
Naugatuck United Methodist Church, 208 Meadow Street
Naugatuck <http://www.faithlandmusic.com>
- 11/12 ***Kenny Vance*** 860-489-7180 \$50 reserve
8:00p An intimate concert featuring the best in Doo Wop music played by an incredible band. Limited seating.
Warner Theater, Nancy Marine Studio, 68 Main Street

- 11/12- ***Into the Woods*** 860-435-3203 5-10
11/15 This musical premiered on Broadway in 1987 and has been produced to high acclaim many times since. The main characters are taken from such tales as Cinderella, Little Red Riding Hood and Jack and the Beanstalk, but after the classic opening “once upon a time,” the tale departs from the familiar and moves into very unpredictable territory. Performed by the Hotchkiss Dramatic Assn. Th/F/Sa 7p; Su 2:30p
Walker Hall Auditorium, 11 Interlaken Road [Click to Visit](#)
Lakeville
- 11/13 ***Guido’s Orchestra*** 203.346.2000 \$30-48
8:00p Musical phenomenon Guido's Orchestra, the electrifying young European pop orchestra that has built an outstanding reputation with its unique and vibrant contemporary fusion of classical and popular music, comes to America. Starring conductor/violinist Guido Dieteren, soprano Wendy Kokkelkoren, special guest artists and Guido’s Orchestra, this spectacular feel-good experience is loved by audiences everywhere. Apart from Guido's own pop orchestra compositions, the music includes unique arrangements of works by John Williams, Puccini, Beethoven, Mozart, Morricone, Sibelius, and many more.
Palace Theater, 100 East Main Street
Waterbury
- 11/13 ***James Keelaghan*** 203-272-8404 \$16-18
8:00p Called Canada's finest singer-songwriter by one of the most respected music journalists of the last 50 years, James Keelaghan is an artist who has proven to be a man for all seasons. For almost a quarter of a century now, this poet laureate of the folk and roots music world has gone about his work with a combination of passion, curiosity intent and intensity. His masterful story telling has, over the course of nine recordings, been part of the bedrock of his success, earning Keelaghan nominations and awards - including a Juno (Canada's Grammy) - and acclaim from Australia to Scandinavia. Possessed of an insatiable appetite for finding the next unique story line, Keelaghan forges his pieces with brilliant craftsmanship and monogrammed artistic vision, making him one of the most distinctive and readily identifiable voices on both the Canadian and international singer-songwriter scenes..
West Hartford
- 11/13 ***David Mallett*** 860-693-0263 \$25-30
7:30p Roaring Brook Nature Center, 70 Gracey Road <http://www.roaringbrookconcerts.org/>
Canton
- 11/13 ***Donizetti’s Don Pasquale*** (203) 438-3889 \$25
1:00p The Met Live in HD
Anna Netrebko revives her sensational turn in this sophisticated bel canto comedy, opposite Matthew Polenzani, Mariusz Kwiecien, and John Del Carlo in the title role. Music Director James Levine conducts. When Otto Schenk’s production premiered in 2006, the New York Times called it “brilliant” and “wonderful.” Expected running time is 3 hours, 30 minutes
Ridgefield Playhouse, 80 East Ridge <http://www.ridgefieldplayhouse.org/allshows.asp>
Ridgefield
- 11/13 ***George Winston*** 860-489-7180 \$45
8:00p The legendary pianist George Winston brings his laid-back style and virtuosity on a 9-foot Steinway, his piano of choice. Much of Winston’s playing is introspective, mood-setting and, frequently, tranquilizing but the pianist, known for his New Orleans R&B and melodic “rural folk” pieces, can also shake it up

with plenty of pop and jazz. His latest solo piano release – Love Will Come, The Music of Vince Guaraldi, Vol. 2, features compositions by the late jazz pianist, including pieces from the Peanuts® TV specials. In support of Friendly Hands Food bank, patrons are encouraged to bring donations of non-perishable food to the concert.

Warner Theater, Nancy Marine Studio, 68 Main Street
Torrington www.Warnertheater.org

- 11/13 **Steam Vent Coffee House** 860-482-3491 donation \$10
6:30p Please visit our Steam Vent Cafe from 6-8 PM serving up light supper selections, snacks and beverages. Menu's vary...and are announced on this page! Steam Vent Café will serve light supper, desserts and beverages for the evening from 6 – 8 PM. If you would like a chance to perform, please call Debbie First Church of Winsted, 95 North Main Street Winsted
- 11/13 **Peter Bradley Admas** 860-379-7235 \$20
7:00p Adams is fast developing as a songwriter who both inspires and questions. LA Times Magazine The Wall Street Journal named Peter as one of “the 21st century writers whose songs are worth exploring” and “having a way with melody and lyrics... and ready to be seen and heard.” XM Satellite Radio’s “The Loft” named him “Notable New Artist of the Year” in 2006. Indie Acoustic Performer’s “Best CD of 2008” Award for Best Singer-Songwriter – Male. 7:00 pm Recep; 7:30 pm Show; Beekley Community Library 10 Central Avenue beekleylibrary.org
New Hartford, CT 06057
- 11/13 **Strings Attached** 877-815-5635 \$15-20
7:00p Ridgefield Chorale. Great music from various genres, with orchestral accompaniment. East Ridge Middle School, 10 East Ridge Road Ridgefield
- 11/13 **Crooked Still** 860-542-5531 \$25-35
8:00p It takes courage to release the security of the familiar and embrace change. After five years of touring and establishing themselves as "the most important folk group to emerge from Boston since the early 60's"(Boston Globe earned them invitations from huge events like the historic Newport and Telluride Festivals and numerous rave reviews from publications like USAToday and Interview Magazine. Infinity Hall, Rt. 44 Norfolk <http://www.infinityhall.com/calendar>
- 11/14 **Poco** 860-542-5531 \$50-70
8:00p Poco has always been a pioneer. It can easily be argued that Poco first created the combination of vocal harmonies, country instruments and rock and roll rhythms that became known as country rock. Infinity Hall, Rt. 44 Norfolk <http://www.infinityhall.com/calendar>
- 11/14 **Jazz Combos Concert** 203-837-8350 Free/donations
8:00p Ives Concert Hall, White Hall, Midtown Campus: 181 White Street Danbury <http://www.wcsu.ctstateu.edu/newsevents/events.asp>
- 11/14 **Danbury Concert Chorus** 203-748-1716 Free?
7:30p First Congregational Church, West St. and Deer Hill Ave. Danbury

- 11/14 ***Zelenka Missa Votiva*** (860) 435-4866 \$10-30
 4:00p Zelenka: Missa Votiva a US-PREMIERE! With Crescendo Choir Crescendo Period Instrument Orchestra Julianne Baird, Soprano Martin Near, Counter Tenor Ron M'Sadoques, Tenor Steven Fasano, Baritone Directed by Christine Gevert Short Description Missa Votiva ZWV 18, for choir, soloists & orchestra by Jan Dismas Zelenka (US Premiere!) Missa votiva of Czech-German composer Jan Dismas Zelenka was written in Dresden in 1739 as the fulfillment of a vow Zelenka made upon recovering from a severe illness. Like the city of Dresden itself, at the crossroads of northern and central Europe, it showcases all the styles current at the time: choral movements in the style of the concerto, sections in stile antico, and arias worthy of the most recent operas. At times it seems to foreshadow Mozart. ...The Missa votiva is nothing less than a lost masterpiece, strongly recommended for your discovery. ~ James Manheim, All Music Guide
 Trinity Church LimeRock, 484 Lime Rock Road [Click to Visit](#)
 Lakeville
- 11/14 ***David Mallett*** (203) 431-6501 \$17-20
 4:00p Singer-songwriter, David Mallett, is one of America's true original troubadours. In a career spanning four decades, he has recorded 14 albums, had several hundred covers of his songs, including the American folk classic [Garden Song](#) [Inch by Inch, Row by Row] and performed in clubs, concert halls and festivals across the US, Canada and Europe. He has appeared on numerous broadcasts, including National Public Radio's *A Prairie Home Companion*. Known for his carefully written, poetic offerings, his body of work has provided material for an eclectic list of artists that includes Alison Krauss, Pete Seeger, Hal Ketchum, Emmylou Harris, John Denver and the Muppets.
 Temple Shearith Israel, 46 Peaceable St.
 Ridgefield
- 11/16 ***Open Mic hosted by Chris Ellis*** (860) 350 5995 Free?
 8:30p 59 Bank Street
 New Milford
- 11/16 ***The Littlest Pilgrims*** (203) 438-3889 \$10
 1:00p **Arts in Education.** A musical based on the voyage of the first Pilgrims to the new world. Francis and Hester Hopkins are young children afraid to leave their native England but excited to sail on the Mayflower to find a new home. They travel with their father Stephen, mother Elizabeth, and are awaiting the arrival of their baby brother Oceanus. John Carver is leading the way on the journey to the New World. When the Mayflower finally lands in Plymouth, Massachusetts, we see how the Pilgrims make it through their first year, the struggles and hardships they face, but also the new friendships they form with the Native people of the land. The Pilgrims, Squanto and the Massasoit Indians form a friendship that we still recognize and celebrate each Thanksgiving holiday. Grades 1 - 3 Please call the box office at 203.438.5795 for more information and to make reservations.
 Ridgefield Playhouse, 80 East Ridge <http://www.ridgefieldplayhouse.org/allshows.asp>
 Ridgefield
- 11/18 ***Marc Cohn*** 860-542-5531 \$45-60
 8:00p Jesse Colin Young, critically acclaimed solo artist and lead singer of the legendary classic rock band, The Youngbloods, took the nation by storm when The Youngblood's single "GET TOGETHER" became a worldwide Top 10 hit and a prominent soundtrack for peace. Jesse and his Band will be putting on an unforgettable show at Infinity Hall!!
 Infinity Hall, Rt. 44
 Norfolk <http://www.infinityhall.com/calendar>

- 11/18 **Coffeehouse** 203-837-9700 Free/donations
 8:00p Open mic performers at 8 p.m., followed by featured act, singer/songwriter Brianne Chasanoff at 9 p.m.
 Alumni Hall on the university's Midtown campus, White Street
 Danbury <http://www.wcsu.ctstateu.edu/newsevents/events.asp>
- 11/18 **Orchestra Concert** 203-837-8350 Free/donations
 8:00p Ives Concert Hall, White Hall, Midtown Campus: 181 White Street
 Danbury <http://www.wcsu.ctstateu.edu/newsevents/events.asp>
- 11/19 **David Bromberg** 860-542-5531 \$45-65
 8:00p After several years of inactivity on the touring front, David Bromberg is beginning to reappear on the live concert scene. Bromberg has reunited the "big band" several times over the last few years and 2003 will see the band come together at least twice for two short runs early in the year. David is also beginning to play more with Jay Ungar and Molly Mason in their show titled "An Evening of American Acoustic Music". This show creates an eclectic musical journey through several uniquely American music forms. The show features the early works of Stephen Foster, the Texas swing of Bob Wills, Cajun fiddle tunes, Delta and Chicago Blues, Bluegrass, Folk and much more
 Infinity Hall, Rt. 44
 Norfolk <http://www.infinityhall.com/calendar>
- 11/19 **Natalie Cole: Playhouse Gala** (203) 438-3889 \$7125-175
 8:00p **Tenth Anniversary Gala**
 Join us for an *Unforgettable* evening as we celebrate 10 years of unforgettable performances at the Playhouse! This evening features a performance by superstar Natalie Cole.
5:30pm Reception with Silent Auction for Gala Ticket Holders
7:00pm One hour of open bar for Non-Gala Ticket Holders
 Ridgefield Playhouse, 80 East Ridge <http://www.ridgefieldplayhouse.org/allshows.asp>
 Ridgefield
- 11/19 **Friday Feast and Dancing Feet** 860-567-8302 \$ 5.00 lunch
 Noon Enjoy a great meal provided by local restaurants, and music for your listening and dancing pleasure!
 Litchfield community Center, 421 Bantam Rd.,
 Litchfield
- 11/19 **Kevin Sharpe** 203-729-4236 Free
 8-10 Gospel / Funk
 Naugatuck United Methodist Church, 208 Meadow Street
 Naugatuck <http://kevinsharpe.net/music.htm>
- 11/19 **Jethro Tull's Ian Anderson** 860-489-7180 \$45-75
 8:00p Known throughout the world of rock music as the flute and voice behind the legendary Jethro Tull, Ian Anderson returns to the Warner for one performance only. Widely recognized as the man who introduced the flute to rock music, Ian Anderson remains the crowned exponent of the popular and rock genres of flute playing. So far, no pretender to the throne has stepped forward. Ian also plays ethnic flutes and whistles together with acoustic guitar and the mandolin family of instruments, providing the acoustic textures which are an integral part of most of the Tull repertoire.
 Warner Theater, Nancy Marine Studio, 68 Main Street
 Torrington www.Warnertheater.org
- 11/20 **Ridgefield Symphony Orchestra** 203-438-3889 \$25-60

8:00p ***Broadway by Request***

The most requested Broadway songs you voted on last season are included in this special performance. You chose the best of Broadway – from “old” Broadway shows to contemporary hits plus a thrilling solo performance.

Anne Richardson Auditorium at the Ridgefield High School, Ridgebury Road / Rt. 116
Ridgefield

11/20 ***Mozart's “The Magic Flute”***

203.346.2000 \$20-65

8:00p The CT Virtuosi Chamber Orchestra under the artistic direction of Adrian Sylveen presents Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart's popular opera "The Magic Flute." This fully staged co-production with the CT Lyric Opera will be performed by an international cast in the original language with English sub-titles
Palace Theater, 100 East Main Street
Waterbury

11/20 ***Geoff Muldaur***

860-693-0263 \$25-30

7:30p Roaring Brook Nature Center, 70 Gracey Road
Canton

<http://www.roaringbrookconcerts.org/>

11/20 ***Jerry Rasmussen***

203-272-8404 \$14-16

8:00p Jerry Rasmussen was born and grew up in Janesville, Wisconsin. He always had a love of music, working his way up through harmonicas and sweet potatoes to ukeleles and a mandolin before taking up guitar in high school. The music of his growing-up years, from the popular music of the Big Band Era, the folk music of Burl Ives and the Weavers, the old hymns that were sung around the house, and the excitement of rhythm and blues groups and early rock and roll became his vocabulary as a musician and songwriter. In 1960 Jerry moved to New York City for graduate work at Columbia University. It was there where he learned to play finger-picked blues guitar from the legendary Dave Van Ronk and began performing in Greenwich Village coffee houses.

The Sounding Board, The Universalist Church of West Hartford, 433 Fern Street,
West Hartford

11/20 ***Aimee Mann***

860-542-5531 \$45-65

8:00p "I've always been fascinated with eccentric personalities," says Los Angeles singer songwriter Aimee Mann. On Smilers, her seventh solo CD, Mann presents thirteen exquisitely-crafted new songs about the inner life of people living far from the bright lights of success or fame. Some of them are wanderers searching for meaning on the road, others look for it in a shot glass or by losing themselves in the blue trance of a tv set, and still others believe their deliverance will come through money.

Infinity Hall, Rt. 44

Norfolk

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11/20--***Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat*** 860-283-6250 \$18-2

11/28 The Biblical saga of Joseph and his coat of many colors comes to vibrant life in this delightful musical parable. Joseph, his father's favorite son, is a boy blessed with prophetic dreams. When he is sold into slavery by his jealous brothers and taken to Egypt, Joseph endures a series of adventures in which his spirit and humanity are continually challenged. He is purchased by Potiphar where thwarting advances from Potiphar's wife lands him in jail. When news of Joseph's gift to interpret dreams reaches the Pharaoh (wryly and riotously depicted as Elvis), Joseph is well on his way to becoming second in command. Eventually his brothers, having suffered greatly, unknowingly find themselves groveling at the feet of the brother they betrayed but no longer recognize. After testing their integrity, Joseph reveals himself leading to a heartfelt reconciliation of the sons of Israel. Set to an engaging cornucopia of musical styles, from country-western and calypso to bubble-gum pop and rock 'n' roll, this Old

Testament tale emerges both timely and timeless.

November 20, 26, December 3 & 4, 2010 at 8:00pm

November 21, 27*, 28 & December 5, 2010 at 2:00pm - **Special Saturday Matinee*

Thomaston Opera House, 158 Main Street

Fri / Sat 8pm; Sun 2pm

Thomaston

11/21 ***Vanessa Perez, piano***

203-426-6470

\$20

3:00p We are forever on the lookout for young, talented, outstanding musicians, and we found this one in near-by New York State. She fulfilled all our requirements: Talent from here to heaven's gate. Technique - simply virtuosic. Communicative power and connection with the audience - clearly captivating. We were smitten with her interpretations of Bach, Albeniz and Chopin. You'll be, too.

Edmund Town Hall, 45 Main Street

Newtown

11/21 ***Connecticut Master Chorale Holiday Prelude Concert***

203-743-0473 \$20-25

3:00p Tina Johns Heidrich, Conductor. A Christmas Fantasy by Gordon Langford. Plus a wide variety of festive music that includes brass ensemble, steel drums, multi-cultural works, 1940's swing, jazz, lullabies, gospel, and other seasonal selections.

St. Mary Church - 24 Dodgingtown Rd.,

Bethel

11/21 ***Amy Speace***

(203) 431-6501

\$17-20

4:00p Born in Baltimore and raised in small- town Pennsylvania, Speace initially had her sights set on a career as a playwright/actor, graduating from Amherst College and toured with the prestigious National Shakespeare Company. After moving to New York, she had roles in various off- Broadway productions and independent films, ran her own theater company, and taught Shakespeare in the New York City school system. After teaching herself to play guitar, she began setting her poetry to music, and quickly found songwriting to be the most creatively fulfilling thing she'd ever done. She soon began performing as half of the female duo Edith O. Speace made her solo debut with the 2002 release *Fable*, recorded with \$5000 donated by fans and released on her own Twangirl label. Giving up her hard- won acting career to become a full-time musician, she hopped into her car and hit the road, booking herself into every club, café and college that would have her. After catching a performance at the SXSW music industry festival, Judy Collins' manager brought Speace to the attention of Collins, who signed her to her Wildflower label. Her debut for the label, *Songs For Bright Street*, received warm praise from critics, including those in Europe, which has enabled her to build a strong touring base there.

Temple Shearith Israel, 46 Peaceable St.

Ridgefield

11/21 ***Red Molly w/New Found Road***

860-542-5531

\$25-35

8:00p The dynamic female trio that began as a happy accident around a campsite (at the 2004 Falcon Ridge Folk Festival) is now drawing invitations from renowned historic national events like Merlefest, and is winning over audiences around the country. Spurred onward by an ever-growing and devoted fanbase, and the desire to commit themselves to touring farther from home, Red Molly is at the start of a new and exciting musical chapter.

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Norfolk

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11/21 ***Arlo Guthrie***

(203) 438-3889

\$70

8:00p Arlo Guthrie is the eldest son of America's most beloved singer/writer/philosopher Woody Guthrie.

Arlo Guthrie's career exploded in 1967 with the release of "Alice's Restaurant", whose title song premiered at the Newport Folk Festival. Arlo went on to star in the 1969 Hollywood film version of "Alice's Restaurant". Over the last four decades Guthrie has toured throughout North America, Europe, Asia, Africa and Australia winning a wide, popular following. In addition to his accomplishments as a musician, playing the piano, six and twelve-string guitar, harmonica and a dozen other instruments, Arlo is a natural-born storyteller, whose tales and anecdotes figure prominently in his performances. Ridgefield Playhouse, 80 East Ridge <http://www.ridgefieldplayhouse.org/allshows.asp>
Ridgefield

- 11/23 **Margaret Capen & King Bosworth** 203-267-3177 \$?
12p Love & Knishes presents a classical concert given by mezzo soprano, Margaret (Meg) Capen and pianist, King Bosworth. They will perform Operatic Arias, French and Spanish Art songs and Broadway show tunes. Please call for reservations.
Jewish Community Center of Western CT, 444 Main St. North
Southbury
- 11/23 **Laurel City Singers** 860-379-2655 \$?
2:00 An Oldies Review concert featuring music of the 50' & 60's, including Blue Moon, La Bamba, Stand by Me, Still of the Night, Surf's Up! (Beach Boys medley), and We Go Together.
First Church of Winsted, 95 North Main Street
Winsted <http://www.firstchurchofwinsted.org>
- 11/23 **Choir Concert** 203-837-8350 Free/donations
8:00p Presented by the WCSU Chamber Singers and Concert Choir
Ives Concert Hall, White Hall, Midtown Campus: 181 White Street
Danbury <http://www.wcsu.ctstateu.edu/newsevents/events.asp>
- 11/23 **Open Mic hosted by Chris Ellis** (860) 350 5995 Free?
8:30p 59 Bank Street
New Milford
- 11/23 **Bret Michaels** (203) 438-3889 \$95-105
8:00p Bret Michaels has established himself as a successful singer, songwriter, producer, director and actor. His current solo career is a blockbuster success! As front man for the legendary rock band Poison, Michaels has sold 25 million records and scored an amazing 15 chartbusting Top 40 singles including "Talk Dirty to Me," "Something to Believe In," "Nothing But a Good Time" and the #1 smash "Every Rose Has its Thorn." As star of VH1's Rock of Love with Bret Michaels, he also scored a big hit. The series has become VH1's highest-rated program. Even celebrity mogul Donald Trump took notice, resulting in Bret appearing as contestant on the last season of Trump's show, Celebrity Apprentice... and winning it!
Ridgefield Playhouse, 80 East Ridge <http://www.ridgefieldplayhouse.org/allshows.asp>
Ridgefield
- 11/26 **Kevin St. Michael** 203-729-4236 Free
8-10 Xmas / Indie
Naugatuck United Methodist Church, 208 Meadow Street
Naugatuck <http://www.myspace.com/kevinstmichael>
- 11/24 **Physical Graffiti – Tribute to Led Zeppelin** 860-542-5531 \$20-35

8:00p A declaration of respect or gratitude is the dictionary definition of tribute; it's also the vibe the audience feels when hearing and seeing Connecticut's own Physical Graffiti. With attention to detail and meticulous craftsmanship second to none, Physical Graffiti brings to life the legendary musical catalogue and awesome live performance of the one and only Led Zeppelin. The soaring vocals, searing guitar riffs, thunderous drumming, lush keyboards and sublime acoustic compositions are all on display. Infinity Hall, Rt. 44
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11/26 **Jeff Pevar w/Special Guests** 860-542-5531 \$25-40

8:00p Jeff Pevar is a guitarist/multi-instrumentalist, singer, composer and producer who has worked with some of the finest in the music business, including Ray Charles, Crosby, Stills and Nash, James Taylor, Jackson Browne, Marc Cohn, Jefferson Starship, Joe Cocker, Phil Lesh and Friends, Jazz Is Dead, Rickie Lee Jones, Carly Simon and many more. Originally from the Hartford, CT area, now living on the west coast, Jeff is playing with his own "Band Du Jour" at the Infinity for the 3rd year in a row during the Thanksgiving holiday weekend, again, with an all-star line up not to be missed!
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11/27 **Vance Gilbert** 203-272-8404 \$14-16

8:00p Vance Gilbert burst onto the singer/songwriter scene in the early 90's when buzz started spreading in the folk clubs of Boston about an ex-multicultural arts teacher who was knocking 'em dead at open mics. Shawn Colvin describes Gilbert as "With the voice of an angel, the wit of a devil, and the guitar playing of a god, it was enough to earn him that rarity: an encore for an opener". From the sounds of Motown, through the R&B of Al Green to classic Joni Mitchell and Shawn Colvin...He makes each and every tune sound fresh and new." writes Roberta Schwartz of FAME. Finishing a year and a half as support for George Carlin is the most recent chapter in Gilbert's varied and successful performance history, leading up to the creation and recording of Up On Rockfield. Up On Rockfield is indeed Vance Gilbert's career-crowning achievement. This tour de force of borrowed styles is classic Vance Gilbert original songwriting at its most timeless, compelling best. Gilbert unflinchingly renders blame and absolution, trapped hearts and free-riders, class and station, uncertainty and resolution, the spiritual and the visceral, the forever and the now, all side by side in song. His is a presentation steeped in deep humanism and bravery, stunning artistry and soul, and unbridled joy.
The Sounding Board, The Universalist Church of West Hartford, 433 Fern Street,
West Hartford

11/27 **Sherman Chamber Ensemble** 860-355-5930 Free

4:00p Free Family Matinees - "Jazzing Up the Classics" with Ted Rosenthal (piano), Susan Rotholz (flute), Eliot Bailen (cello) and friends Congregational Church
Sherman

11/27 **Robben Ford** 860-542-5531 \$50-75

8:00p Blending together to create a blues-driven sound that not only will satisfy their individual fans but is fresh enough to attract a legion of new fans as well. Delivering both rootsy, blues/rock vocal tunes and fiery instrumentals, the band draws on the unique guitar interplay between guitar giants Robben Ford and Michael Landau who inspire each other to new personal bests. "Renegade Creations" is a guitar tour de force riding rhythmic foundation laid down by one of rock's finest rhythm sections, bassist Jimmy Haslip and drummer Gary Novak.
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- 11/28 **CONCOROA On the Town! "In the Family Way"** 860-542-5531 \$30-40
 1:00p Celebrate Thanksgiving weekend with On the Town! as they present "In the Family Way," the first of four shows at Infinity this season. Don't miss this original review of songs about Moms, Dads, Sisters, Brothers, about home, about asking for family advice and about knowing when to follow it...or just go your own way.
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- 11/28 **Jimi Hendrix Tribute featuring Any Aledort** 860-542-5531 \$20-30
 8:00p Andy regularly participates in the Jimi Hendrix Tribute Tours of the last nine years; he is featured on the live Experience Hendrix DVD available from jimihendrix.com (appearing with Paul Rodgers, Buddy Guy, Hubert Sumlin, Mick Taylor, Mitch Mitchell, Billy Cox, Robert Randolph and others. He's also performed and recorded many times with Double Trouble, Stevie Ray Vaughan's rhythm section of Tommy Shannon and Chris Layton.
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 3:00p Free Family Matinees - "Jazzing Up the Classics" with Ted Rosenthal (piano), Susan Rotholz (flute), Eliot Bailen (cello) and friends
 St. Andrew's Church
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- 11/29 **Leon Russell** 860-542-5531 \$35-60
 8:00p Leon Russell is a music legend and perhaps the most accomplished and versatile musician in the history of rock 'n roll. In his distinguished and unique 50 year career, he has played on, arranged, written and/or produced some of the best records in popular music.
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 Norfolk <http://www.infinityhall.com/calendar>
- 11/30 **Open Mic hosted by Chris Ellis** (860) 350 5995 Free?
 8:30p 59 Bank Street
 New Milford
- 11/30- **The Spirit of Christmas** 914-751-2832 \$56-66 inclusive
 12/22 **Christmas Theater Banquet**
 11am Come join us for a much-acclaimed annual Christmas show (previously at The Spinning Wheel Inn, Redding). Located just minutes off Rte. 84 and Rte. 6 in Bethel, CT. Enjoy a freshly prepared four-course luncheon served between the acts of an original Christmas musical. A real sentimental favorite sure to bring you laughter and Christmas spirit.
 The Three Oaks at Capellaro's Grove, 42 Vail Rd.,
 Bethel